



NFI VT is pleased to present:

“Selected Legal and Ethical Issues in Clinical Practice: Practical Guidance for Ethical Professionals”

Whit Smith, Attorney at Law

With Chuck Myers, Ph.D.

December 4, 2015

8am—1pm



Whit Smith

Whit Smith provides legal assistance to health care and community mental health and developmental service providers in northern and central Vermont. His clients include the Howard Center, Inc., the Community Health Centers of Burlington, Inc., Northwestern Counseling and Support Services, Inc., and NFI Vermont, Inc. Prior to entering private practice in 1983, Whit worked for several non-profit advocacy organizations, including the Children's Defense Fund of Washington, D.C. and Vermont Legal Aid, Inc.



Points of Discussion

- **New changes: Act 60 and pending Supreme Court Case re: liability**
- **Avoiding Common Ethical Pitfalls in Clinical Practice**
- **Managing Risk (Suicide and Duty to Warn)**
- **Court Testimony and Subpoena's**
- **Specific Confidentiality and Client-Access-to-Records Issues**
- **Managing High Risk Situations Including Duty to Warn and Suicidal Clients**
- **Changes to Vermont's Mandated Reporting Law**
- **Involvement of Clinicians in the Legal System**
- **Decisional Authority in Situations Involving Minors, Divorce Situations, and Youths in State Custody.**

NFI Vermont, Inc.

NFI VT is a non-profit mental health agency offering a statewide network of community based treatment and educational services to children and their families.

NFI VT also provides trainings and conferences to the local community, with the goal of improving services to children and their families.

Registration Opens: 8:00am

Whit Smith Lecture Begins: 8:30am

Whit Smith Lecture Ends: 11:45 pm

Chuck Myers, Ph.D. : 12:00-1:00

(this extra hour will focus on ethical issues via clinical vignettes and group discussion)

Light breakfast provided.



Conference Venue:

Hampton Inn by Hilton & Vermont
Event Center
42 Lower Mountain View Drive
Colchester, Vermont 05446
(802) 655-6177

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